

PAS 2012 Technical Interpretation		Interpretation number	002
Title	Contact between Accessibility Gauge footrest element and ramp surface		
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Enquiry	When measuring the "Maximum Access Dimensions", is contact between the Accessibility Gauge's "footrest element" and the ramp surface permitted when moving the Accessibility Gauge from the road on to the ramp?		
Decision	Yes, this is permissible. It is acceptable to tilt the Accessibility Gauge backwards, in order to allow the footrest element to clear the ramp surface.		
Rationale	The length of the Accessibility Gauge adjusts ahead of the front axle. Therefore, the longer the wheelchair space, the more front overhang the gauge has. In reality, the length of the Accessibility Gauge could be adjusted to give a front overhang that no real wheelchair would have, and it is unfair to penalise a WAV manufacturer for having a long wheelchair space.		
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